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Arizona Corporation Commission 1200 W. Washington St. Phoenix, AZ 85007

Re: Docket Number: E-01345A-16-0036 + E - 01345A-16-0127

Dear members of the Arizona Corporation Commission,

As you continue to move forward in the APS rate case, I urge you to take in consideration the effect a service charge increase would have on small businesses such as mine.

Being a small business owner at times can be challenging to even keep the lights on, and having an increase in my monthly service could have a detrimental effect on my business. From taking away profit that I could use to grow my business to taking away from the hours I can give to my staff.

Although it could be argued that APS will use a rate increase for building up their infrastructure, the Commission's own staff and the Residential Utility Consumer Office has stated that this increase is not necessary for APS.

As you move forward on this issue, I encourage you to make choices that will be best for the small business owners who rely on APS for their service needs. It always great to have the leadership of the Corporation Commission working to protect the best interests of Arizonans.

Thank you for your dedication,



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